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In response to the January 25, 2001 Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application, attached please find:

- ☒ Response to Notice to File Missing Parts (1 pg.);
- ☒ Copy of Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application (1 pg.);
- ☒ Check in the amount of \$65 to cover the surcharge;
- ☒ Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney (2 counterparts, 3 pages each); and
- ☒ Postcard.

If the enclosed papers are considered incomplete, the Mail Room is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned collect at telephone (617) 542-6000.

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Respectfully submitted,

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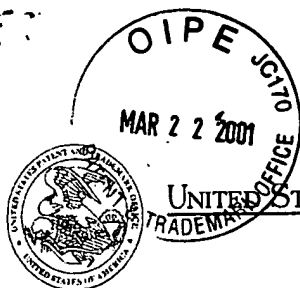
RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS

In response to the Notice To File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application mailed January 25, 2001, Applicants submit herein an executed Inventor Declaration, payment of the surcharge for late filing (\$65.00) set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.16(e) and a copy of Form PTO-1533. This response is due on or before March 25, 2001, without extension.

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**NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION****FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)*****Filing Date Granted***

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
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